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20 November 1958

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Vital Materials

REFERENCE: Your Memo dated 31 October 1958

1. The following comments on the List of DE/I Vital Material Deposits dated October 1958 are offered in accordance with your request.

2. Recently OCR began carding the [REDACTED] reports providing complete coverage on the Sino-Soviet Bloc countries and partial coverage on selected non-Bloc countries. These abstract cards are particularly valuable to ERA and in turn make the file of [REDACTED] reports at the Records Center more useable. Therefore, we recommend that the retention period for the hard copies be extended to one year and the balance on microfilm to five years.

3. We also request that the Current Intelligence Weekly Summaries be retained for an indefinite period rather than one year and that a file be established for the Current Intelligence Daily Reports for one year and the Current Support Memoranda for three years. The Economic Highlights should be retained indefinitely because they would represent the only available chron of economic developments.

4. The balance of the list is acceptable.

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